GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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POLLUTION BY CEMENT AND REFINERIES FACTORIES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the places where Cement factories and refineries in public and private sector are polluting environment as on June 30, 2001, State-wise;

(b) whether the Government have taken any action in the matter to check such increasing pollution; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R.BAALU)

(a) There are 113 large cement plants and 15 oil refineries in the country. Out of 113 Cement plants, 110 plants have provided the necessary pollution control equipment and three plants are closed. All the 15 refineries have installed the necessary pollution control devices.

(b)&(c) The cement plants and the refineries are periodically monitored by the Central Pollution Control Boardand the concerned State Pollution Control Boardsto check their emissions and discharges and accordingly legal action is taken if the units are not complying with the prescribed standards.